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1. From January to 15 March 1953, the East China Military Area (ECMA) Command organized and began training 14 regiments. Each regiment comprised 2,500 recruits, most of whom were militia volunteers, as well as men released from field force units or transferred from Korea.
2. In late April the ECMA Command, with the approval of the Revolutionary Military Council, decided to activate 27 new regiments. It was decided that provincial replacement regiments under the military sub-districts would be abandoned (sic). Young recruits for the new regiments were alerted to begin entering army camps in mid-May. The organization and training of these recruits was to be the responsibility of the military sub-districts. The new 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9 Regiments were to be subordinate to the ECMA Command, while Chekiang, Fukien, and Shantung were to have three regiments each and Anhwei and Kiangsu were to have six regiments each.
3. On 31 March, CHANG Ai-p'ing (1728/1947/5493),¹ chief of staff of the 3 Field Army, and CHOU Chun-ming (0719/7486/7686)¹, deputy chief of staff, and their party inspected 10,000 newly organized troops at Hsiakuan (0007/7070) and Chunghuamen (0022/5478/7024) in Nanking, and P'uuk'ou (N 32-06, E 118-44).²

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1. [REDACTED] Comment. Available information tentatively lists CHANG as commander of the 7 Army Group. [REDACTED] also reported him as chief of staff of the East China Military Area Command. CHOU Chun-ming has been reported both as deputy chief of staff and as chief of staff of the 3 Field Army. [REDACTED] 25X1A
2. [REDACTED] Comment. These troops were probably a newly organized replacement training division of the 3 Field Army. 25X1A

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